IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA LAFAYETTE DIVISION

STATE OF ARIZONA, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

Civil Action No. 6:22-cv-01130

MERRICK GARLAND, et al.,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Please take notice that BRIAN C. WARD, U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Division, hereby enters his appearance on behalf of the Defendants for the limited purpose of contesting this Court's subject matter jurisdiction over this case and moving to transfer this case under 28 U.S.C. § 1631. This appearance is made without waiver of, and does not concede, any objection to subject matter jurisdiction, venue, or service.

Dated: April 29, 2022 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 29, 2022, I electronically filed this notice with the Clerk of the Court for the United States District Court for the Western District of Louisiana by using the CM/ECF system. Counsel in the case are registered CM/ECF users and service will be accomplished by the CM/ECF system.

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